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## **LETTER**

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Dear Sir:

On September 27, 2004, a Response was filed to the Final Office Action dated March 26, 2004. The Response included an RCE, a Request for Extension of Time and PTO/SB/17 along with the total appropriate fee of \$1,720.

On the following day, September 28, 2004, Applicant noticed that several of the papers had incorrect an application number and/or filing date. A copy of the submission made on September 27, 2004 is enclosed.

Appl. No. 09/837,733 Reply to Final Office Action dated March 26, 2004

Also enclosed is a set of duplicate documents having the correct application number and filing date.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigning attorney if there are any questions regarding this [Amendment] Response or this application.

Dated:

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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